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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2006, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please consider the following remarks. Prior to examination of the above identified patent application, please also amend the claims as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.